

MINUTES

**MONTANA SENATE
61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE AMENDMENTS
TO HOUSE BILL 331**

Call to Order: Chairman Kelly Gebhardt, on April 21, 2009 at 9:00
A.M., in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Kelly Gebhardt, Chairman (R)
Rep. Wanda Grinde, Chairman (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Sen. Verdell Jackson (R)
Rep. Harry Klock (R)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Pat Murdo, Legislative Services
Debra L. Polhemus, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: NONE

Executive Action: HB 331: AMEND WITH CONCEPTUAL
AMENDMENT AND RECOMMEND
ADOPTION

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 331

00:00:26 Sen. Gebhardt
00:02:12 Rep. Hamilton
00:02:19 Sen. Jackson
00:08:55 Sen. Gebhardt
00:09:07 Sen. Jackson
00:11:46 Rep. Morgan

EXHIBIT (ccs85hb0331a01)

00:13:35 Sen. Gebhardt
00:13:47 Rep. Hamilton
00:14:07 Rep. Morgan
00:15:27 Sen. Jackson
00:15:37 Rep. Morgan
00:15:51 Sen. Jackson
00:16:14 Rep. Morgan
00:16:27 Sen. Jackson
00:16:45 Rep. Morgan
00:17:15 Sen. Jackson
00:18:09 Rep. Grinde
00:18:37 Rep. Morgan

00:19:53 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Morgan moved that **HB 331 BE AMENDED WITH A CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT** to add "immediate effective date" to the bottom. Without objection from the committee, the conceptual amended was accepted.

Discussion:

00:20:55 Sen. Jackson

00:21:07 Recess
00:21:33 Reconvene

00:21:39 Neil Peterson, representing Gaming Industry Association (GIA)
00:22:33 Sen. Gebhardt
00:22:44 Sen. Jackson
00:23:49 Rep. Gebhardt
00:23:57 Neil Peterson, GIA
00:24:42 Jim Murphy, Chief, Communicable Disease Control and Prevention Bureau, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

00:26:02 Sen. Gebhardt
00:26:10 Rep. Morgan
00:26:30 Sen. Gebhardt
00:26:40 Rep. Morgan
00:26:57 Sen. Gebhardt

Discussion: (Con't)

00:27:18 Jim Murphy, DPHHS
00:27:26 Sen. Gebhardt
00:27:37 Sen. Gebhardt
00:28:02 Jim Murphy
00:28:29 Sen. Jackson
00:28:35 Rep. Morgan
00:29:05 Pat Murdo, Legislative Services Division

00:29:13 **Motion:** Rep. Morgan moved that **HB 331 BE AMENDED WITH A CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT** to change the fees on Page 2, Line 12 from \$90 and \$120 to \$85 and \$115 respectively.

Discussion:

00:29:28 Sen. Tropila
00:29:52 Neil Peterson, GIA

00:30:00 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously with House of Representative committee members and Senate committee members by roll call vote.

Discussion:

00:31:26 Sen. Gebhardt
00:31:34 Pat Murdo, LSD
00:31:41 Sen. Gebhardt

NOTE: In lieu of motion, the unanimously signed Committee Report indicates all committee members recommend that **THE FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT BE ADOPTED.**

EXHIBIT (ccs85hb0331a02)

Final version of the amendment as prepared by Pat Murdo
(HB003108.apm 9:58 A.M.)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:35 A.M.

Debra L. Polhemus, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([ccs85hb0331aad.pdf](#))